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SUBJECT: UN EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE TO GUATEMALA

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1. AS OF FEBRUARY 9 OUR UNDERSTANDING OF SITUATION WITH REGARD TO UN-RELATED DISASTER ACTIVITIES IN GUATEMALA IS AS FOLLOWS:

A) UN RECEIVED OFFICIAL REQUEST FROM GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT FOR UN RELIEF ASSISTANCE (FEBRUARY 6).

B) UNDP RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE AUTHORIZED TO EXPEND \$40,000 LOCALLY FOR IMMEDIATE NEEDS (\$20,000 FROM UNDRO EMERGENCY FUNDS, \$20,000 FROM UNDP'S PROGRAM RESERVE).

C) THE SEPARATE UN OPERATED RADIO LINK CONNECTING GUATEMALA CITY WITH GENEVA, TRANSMITTING THROUGH NEW YORK, SHOULD BE OPERATING BY FEBRUARY 10.

D) UNICEF HAS MADE \$75,000 AVAILABLE FOR EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AND WILL BE PROVIDING 1,000 TENTS FROM THESE FUNDS.

E) WORLD FOOD PROGRAM HAS MADE AN INITIAL EMERGENCY GRANT OF 90 TONS WHEAT FLOUR, 15 TONS CANNED FISH, TO UNCLASSIFIED

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FEED 10,000 FOR 30 DAYS(ESTIMATED VALUE \$53,000).

F) WHO IS RESPONDING TO PRELIMINARY REQUEST FOR
\$100,000 OF IMMEDIATE MEDICAL SUPPLIES TO SUPPLEMENT
\$100,000 WORTH OF ANTIBIOTICS AND SURGICAL EQUIPMENT
BEING PROVIDED BY PAHO. (WHO ESTIMATES DISASTER RELATED
HEALTH NEEDS OF A LEAST \$1.0 MILLION).

G) TWO UNDRP REPRESENTATIVES ARE IN GUATEMALA
ASSESSING THE EXTENT OF THE DAMAGE, THE SUPPLY NEEDS,
AND COOPERATING WITH THE RESREP IN COORDINATING UN
OPERATIONS.
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